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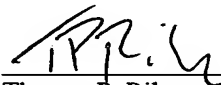
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Group Art Unit: 3749  
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**THIRD SUPPLEMENTAL  
INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT**

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Sir:

The documents listed on the enclosed PTO Form-1449 are being brought to the attention of the examiner pursuant to 37 CFR §§ 1.56, 1.97, and 1.98. Copies of the foreign and non-patent documents are enclosed as necessary.

The Examiner's attention is drawn to citation No. B14 at page 3 of the attached PTO Form-1449. No English-language equivalent or abstract was available for Publ. No. DE 24 40 068. The source of this citation was an Office action dated June 20, 2001, from related application Serial No. 09/750,481. Reference is made in the Office action to Page 4, paragraph 10 of the Office action wherein the examiner states: "Birmelin discloses a candleholder and teaches the use of an indentation 5 (formed by a raised lip, see FIG. 1) for securing the wickholder."

This Information Disclosure Statement is being filed after the receipt of an Office action, but, to the best of the undersigned's knowledge, before the mailing date of a final action under 37 CFR §1.113 or notice of allowance under 37 CFR §1.311. Therefore, in accordance with 37 CFR § 1.97(c) submitted herewith is PTO Form-2038 authorizing payment of the fee (\$180.00) set forth in 37 CFR § 1.17(p) for submission of an Information Disclosure Statement under 37 CFR §1.97(c).

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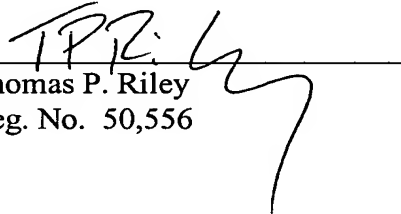
An early and favorable action on the merits is respectfully requested.

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